



Reasoning Behind Our “DO NOT INCLUDE IN A HOPE BOX” List

We often get asked the reasoning behind why our “Do Not Include” list is the way it is. We hope that this will help explain!

CANDY, GUM, FOOD OR SNACKS



- Food allergies
- Melting
- Choking hazard to certain age groups

UNDERWEAR AND BRAS



- This can be embarrassing for students to open in front of their peers.

BAR SOAP



- Everything in the box ends up smelling like soap, even if its put in a ziploc bag

HAPPY MEAL TOYS



- These items are free items you get with a meal, and not the best items to give as a gift.

BODY WASH, SHAMPOO, CONDITIONER



- Weight - it makes the trailers we are pulling to Kentucky overweight
- Leaking

WATER GUNS (or toys that look like weapons)



- These items are not allowed in the schools

FEMININE HYGIENE ITEMS



- This can be embarrassing for a girl to open in front of her peers.

LIQUID GLUE



- Safety concerns
- Weight - it makes the trailers we are pulling to Kentucky overweight.

SHAVING CREAM AND RAZORS



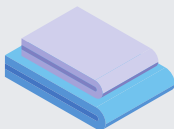
- Safety concerns
- Aerosol leakage

USED ITEMS



- We should be giving our best to these kids. Items that are used do not show Jesus's love.

WASHCLOTHS



- The kids do not like getting these. They do however love getting shower puffs!

MONEY OR GIFT CARDS



- It is an item not every kid will get. It creates “unfair” environment.

Also, it is good to remember that the Hope Boxes are opened while we are there visiting. They are opening them surrounded by their peers.
Thank you for understanding and for your continued support!!